I wish to persuade the FCC from allowing BPL to be implemented. The destruction or at the least, deterioration of the shortwave bands is not only a violation of ITU laws that protect international broadcasters from interference and jamming, it will be destroying many people's life hobby. Amateur radio will be reduced to users with high-power amplifiers and large antennas. Emergency communications will be hindered to levels directly responsible for the loss of life.

There are many technologies that make BPL unnecessary. BPL will never be able to carry the high bandwidth demands for mass distribution of video much less the up-and-coming HDTV.

Our numbers are fairly small but our contribution to emergency communication could be huge. Locally our government has realized the value of our communication ability in the time of emergency and has contributed massive amounts of time and money to help our involvement in the RACES help in their communication. Please do not destroy this potentially valuable involvment. And please help us to keep our great hobby alive and well.

Thanks